

Nau mai, Haere mai ki Wahanga Tuarua
Welcome to Term 2 2025!



WHAEA SARAH
(Sarah S/Hera)



MATUA ANANIAH



WHAEA SARAH
(Sarah C)

Kia ora e te whānau,
Welcome to Term 2! We hope you have enjoyed your Easter holiday break and
are all feeling refreshed and ready for a new term.

Please have a read of our newsletter to hear about what's coming up and for
some dates to diary!
Enjoy!

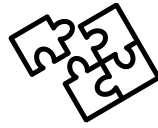
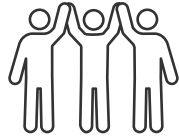


*"Ko te manu e kai ana i te miro nōnā te ngahere.
ko te manu e kai ana i te mātauranga nōnā te ao."*

The bird that eats the Miro berry owns the forest, the bird that feasts on
knowledge owns the world.

SUPPORT TEAM

Our Support Team



WHAEA LOU

Whaea Lou will be in Tūi Rua every Friday for Whaea Sarah Corkill (as Sarah looks after her 3-year old on this day).



WHAEA LEILA

Whaea Leila will be working in Tūi Rua every Thursday to release Matua Ananiah.



WHAEA SANDRA

Whaea Sandra will be in Tūi Rua every Wednesday supporting Matua Ananiah.



WHAEA HAYLEY

Whaea Hayley will be working as Literacy Support in our space.



WHAEA LUCY

Whaea Lucy will be working as Literacy and Numeracy Support in our space.



WHAEA BUFFY

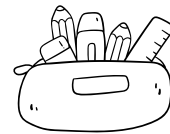
Whaea Buffy will be working in our space as a Kaiārahi i te reo Māori, supporting Matua Ananiah.

HELPFUL INFO!

Role of the Whānau Teacher



Your child has been placed within a Whānau Group for 2025. They will start each day with this kaiako and **this teacher is your main point of contact**. Please feel free to pop in and say hi before or after school but if you have any further queries that require more time, please book in a time with us. 😊



Stationery

When our children arrive at school, we encourage them to check their pen cil case and sharpen any pencils if needed. This maximises use of learning time. We keep hold of the spare stationery that your child brought into school at the start of the year and can replace anything if they have lost something. However, if they have lost something they only have one of (e.g. Sharpie), broken their ruler or have lost both their erasers, they will need a replacement please. **Please ask your child to check and let you know if they need anything so that learning time isn't interrupted.**

Book Bags



Please ensure that your child is **bringing their book bag to school every day**. Literacy Workshops are happening each day, Monday to Thursday. Without a book bag, your child will not be able to take books home. **All readers will be collected on Fridays** and all book bags will be stored at school over the weekends.



Attendance

Just a reminder that children are welcome onsite in the morning from 8am - however this is unsupervised. They may wait outside the classroom and at 8.20am they are welcome inside. **School starts at 8.40am - please be here on time.** School finishes at 2.30pm and pick up needs to be prompt. Please give your child a clear plan or meeting point and encourage them to stay off the playground if they are unsupervised for their own safety.

HELPFUL INFO!

Cooler Weather



With cooler and wetter weather on the way in Terms 2 and 3, **please ensure your child has appropriate clothing to keep warm.** Umbrellas are fine if they are using them to walk to/from school but they aren't to be used at break times and need to be stored by their bags for the day. A good idea is to keep a spare change of clothing/spare jumper in your child's bag in case they need it.



What to Bring to School

Please Bring Every Day:

- A lunch box packed with a healthy snack (fruits and vegetables are ideal), morning tea and lunch – plenty of food to fuel you! (Please leave lollies at home).
- A water bottle
- Appropriate clothing and a spare change of clothes
- A book bag
- A big smile and positive attitude! 😊

Please ensure all toys and valuables are kept at home.

Birthdays



We already have a birthday ritual in place so that your child has the opportunity to have their moment and be celebrated. Therefore, **please refrain from bringing in any lollies or treats to share.** We have food allergies in our class and need to keep our tamariki safe. Thank you for your understanding.



Staying Up-To-Date

For further information about our school and to keep up-to-date, please see our Facebook page or visit www.teaomarama.school.nz

HELPFUL INFO!

BYOD – Bring Your Own Devices / Ngā Rorohiko



Tūi Rua is a B.Y.O.D. (Bring Your Own Device) learning community. The use of technology is vital in our ever evolving world and we want to prepare our students with the technical skills they will need. The use of devices will be an integral part of our learning community and daily programme. If you are able to supply your child with a personal device (laptop, chromebook, iPad), we would really appreciate it.

These devices will continue to come to school and return home each day. We ask that chargers are left at home and that students charge their devices each night before bringing them to school.

Please ensure that if your child is using their device at home for play, that they are not using their school account. This is for their learning only!

Year 3 devices will continue to be provided and stored at school.



Home Learning

Our school does not set formal homework each week but we did share some ideas for how you can help at home in Term 1 (this was emailed to you).

Your child will have brought home readers and this will continue for the rest of the year. These **MUST** go home in a book bag. No book bag = no reader. We ask that your child's book bag comes to school daily so readers can be read both at home and school.

Children will be assigned work to complete on Google Classroom. This is for your child to complete in class time. We will inform your child if there is the odd time that they need to work on assignments at home. **Feel free to view the learning your child is doing in class via Google Classroom.**

You can get a really up to date insight into what your child is learning on this platform. Regular viewing of set work could be used to reinforce learning at home too.



OUR LEARNING

Term 2 Focuses



The Magic Hat!

This term, our main overarching inquiry focus will be around a story called, 'The Magic Hat'. This story is fun and has a great rhythm too. It is all about magic hat that keeps flying away and landing on different animals heads. Eventually, it lands on the head of a wizard who takes it and skips out of town.

This story lends itself to a range of curriculum areas.

Inquiry – Pākiki (Play Provocations)

For our Inquiry (Pākiki – Play Provocations), we will focus on Science. Technology, Social Science and Māori.

Science: We will be exploring the living world, animal classification (mammal, reptile, fish, etc), animal needs and their habitats.

Social Science: We will explore early New Zealand, our native birds (manu), traditional hunting by our Tangata Whenua, extinct and endangered birds as well as whale poaching.

Te Ao Māori: Our focus will be around traditional ways of hunting native manu (birds) in early Aotearoa, and the special taonga – whale bones.

Technology: We will explore and look at different styles of hats before designing and making our own in teams. To conclude the term, we will host a Magic Hat Parade in which whānau will be invited to.

More information will be shared closer to the time.



P.E. (Kori Tinana) / Health (Hauora)

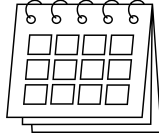
Every fortnight, we have an overarching theme that we focus on. We will then integrate this theme into our learning as well as Physical Education programme. We will revisit the following themes this term and go into more depth:

- Approaching and joining in
- Including others
- Being a good winner
- Being a good loser

Over a fortnight, we unpack what the skill is, why it's important and delve into the dos and don'ts of actioning a given skill.

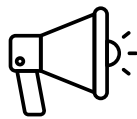
WHAT'S ON?

Looking Ahead:



<div> TERM 2 UPCOMING EVENTS</div> <div>2025</div>	
Date	What's On
Mon 28 April	First Day of Term 2 - Pōwhiri welcome for new families
Thurs 8 May	New Parent Evening
13 & 14 May	Hui-ā-whānau (Student/Parent/Teacher meetings)
Fri 16 May	Pink Shirt Day
Thurs 29 May	Te Ao Mārama Has Talent Finals
Fri 30 May	Staff Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED <i>Community of Learning (all local schools closed)</i>
Mon 2 June	King's Birthday Public Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED
2 - 6 June	Samoa Language Week - Vaiaso o le Gagana Samoa
Fri 20 June	Matariki Public Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED

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"He aha te mea nui o te ao?

What is the most important
thing in the world?

He tangata. he tangata. he
tangata."

It is the people,
it is the people,
it is the people.

Maori Proverb